



*Embassy of the United States of America  
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia*

## **WARDEN MESSAGE**

*October 6, 2008*

***The Embassy requests that wardens pass the following message in its entirety to members of the American Community:***

### **Vote NOW!**

American citizens should vote now in the November 4, 2008 presidential and general elections. If you registered to vote and requested an absentee ballot by your state's deadline, you should receive your state absentee ballot in October. Please return your marked ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it arrives in time to be counted!

#### **Forgot to register or request an absentee ballot?**

Some states have late registration deadlines for overseas voters. Check your [state's deadlines](#) on the Federal Voting Assistance Program's website at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov). If your state's registration deadline has not passed, complete the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register to vote and request your ballot. The FPCA is available at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) or from any U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

#### **Ballot hasn't arrived?**

If your ballot has not arrived by mid-October, we strongly encourage you to use the [Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot](#) (FWAB). The FWAB serves as an emergency ballot for voters who registered in time but fail to receive an official ballot from local election officials. The FWAB is available at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) or from any U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

#### **Returning your ballot**

Voted ballots, FPCAs and FWABs may be mailed to your local voting officials in the United States through first-class international mail or from any U.S. Embassy or Consulate. Last-minute voters should consider using an express courier company to deliver their ballots. Some states also accept FPCAs and voted ballots by fax or e-mail.

#### **Questions?**

The Voting Assistance Officer at the U.S. Embassy in Riyadh is also always available to answer questions about absentee voting. To contact the Voting Assistance Officer, send an e-mail to [VoteRiyadh@state.gov](mailto:VoteRiyadh@state.gov).

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American citizens are reminded to keep their registration up-to-date. See <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/> for registration information.

You can also review earlier Warden Messages at <http://riyadh.usembassy.gov/service/advisories-for-americans-in-ksa/warden-messages.html>.

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